

HB 388 -- Parent-School Building Information Act

Sponsor: Swan

This bill establishes the Parent-School Building Information Act and requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to publish a simplified letter-grade report card for each public school building and each charter school. This report card is separate from and in addition to the annual report required by Section 160.522, RSMo. Each school building is graded on the number of points it achieved on its annual performance report under the school improvement program, divided by the number of points possible; however, the building's growth measures, rather than the higher of the growth or progress measures, will be used on the first standard. The grading scale is based on deciles, with 60 or below being an F grade.

The report is for informational purposes and is separate from the accreditation program. The first report card must be distributed by December 1, 2014. Schools must notify parents about the report's contents and provide directions for accessing information. The department must provide a link from its homepage to the reports.